

Please find below, Utah State Parks and Recreation news for November 4:

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PREPARE FOR WINTER NOW, YOUTH SNOWMOBILE COURSES AVAILABLE STATEWIDE

Utah State Parks and Recreation offers Know Before You Go! snowmobile education courses in Salt Lake, Weber, Davis, Iron, and Uintah counties. Students must pre-register for classes and are notified of the course time and location upon registering.

Children age eight to 16 are required by state law to take a safety class prior to operating snowmobiles on public lands or trails. To pre-register or for more information about Utah off-highway vehicle programs, please call 1-800-648-7433 (1-800-OHV-RIDE).

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STATE PARK OF THE WEEK: ROCK CLIFF RECREATION AREA AT JORDANELLE STATE PARK

Francis - Rock Cliff Nature Center at Jordanelle State Park is located on the banks of the Provo River under a canopy of tall cottonwood trees. Join the park naturalist for a guided stroll on the boardwalks and learn to identify area wildlife. Children are invited to participate in one of many Junior Ranger programs, including track identification and Leave No Trace activities.

The Nature Center is filled with interpretive displays and a nature store selling entertaining educational items. Bring a lunch and spend the day, or pack camping gear and enjoy the quiet campground. Vehicles aren't allowed in Rock Cliff campgrounds, so while campers must carry in their gear, the reward is peaceful surroundings.

For more information, please call (435) 782-3030 or visit [stateparks.utah.gov](http://stateparks.utah.gov).

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FALL BOATING AT UTAH'S STATE PARKS

Salt Lake City - Wakeboarders and waterskiers are still braving the waters of Sand Hollow and anglers are enjoying cold water fishing throughout Utah. Though water temperatures are dropping, boating and other water recreation remain very popular. Prepare for colder air and water temperatures by following these safety tips:

- Always wear a life jacket
- Share your itinerary with a friend or family member
- Layer your clothing in preparation for changing weather conditions
- Keep a ladder on your boat in case you fall overboard
- Never boat alone

For more information or to take a boating safety course, please visit [stateparks.utah.gov](http://stateparks.utah.gov) or call (801) 538-BOAT. Wear it Utah!

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## UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

November 28            Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Star Party: Join the park naturalist in the visitor center at 5:30 p.m. for a look at the human history of astronomy, which is followed by outdoor viewing of constellations. (801) 721-9569

November 29            Territorial Statehouse State Park - Fillmore

Christmas Lighting Ceremony: Join park staff at 6 p.m. for a short Christmas program, followed by a lighting ceremony. Refreshments are served. (435) 743-5316

November 29            Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Nature Programs: Join the park naturalist for two different programs. Meet at the visitor center at 11 a.m. for a Junior Ranger Program. For this tracking adventure, participants should dress for the weather conditions, bring plenty of water and wear sturdy shoes. This activity is intended for children ages six to 12, however everyone is welcome. Meet at the visitor center at 3 p.m. to learn how plants and animals adapt to harsh winter conditions. (801) 721-9569

November 30            Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Lake Affect Movie: Meet in the visitor center at 11 a.m. and take a closer look at the ecosystem of Great Salt Lake while viewing the Friends of Great Salt Lake movie Lake Affect. (801) 721-9569

Photos: Rock Cliff Recreation Area at Jordanelle State Park

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